

Medirest continues contract to support cleaning services at Blackpool Victoria Hospital

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Medirest, part of the healthcare sector of Compass Group UK & Ireland, is to continue its partnership with Blackpool Victoria Hospital and Atlas BFW Management Ltd, for a further five years. The new contract is based on an established successful partnership between the organisations and the implementation of the National Standards of Healthcare Cleanliness.

Blackpool Victoria Hospital is part of Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. The Trust provides a range of acute services to the 352,000-strong population of the Fylde Coast health economy and the estimated 18million visitors to the seaside town of Blackpool. It provides a wide range of community health services to the residents of Blackpool, Fylde, Wyre and North Lancashire as well as hosting the National Artificial Eye Service.

The Medirest team has operated cleaning services at the hospital for seven years and this new contract will see the partnership continue for another five years. Investment has been committed to continue to introduce enhanced innovations, such as a cleaning robot, which takes on repetitive cleaning procedures in open spaces – the introduction of ‘cobotics’ on site supports over 200 people working in the cleaning team. In addition, new ultraviolet cleaning solutions will be introduced, which means a faster turnaround time to further enhance patient flow.

The team will continue to provide more general cleaning services, utilising their A+ cleaning solution, decontamination services and a rapid response team supporting in delivering the highest possible infection control and prevention practices.

Russell Blake, MD – Healthcare, Compass Group UK & Ireland, commented:

“We have an established partnership and work collaboratively with Atlas and the Trust’s clinical teams at Blackpool Victoria Hospital and we are delighted that we will continue to build this ongoing relationship. Our teams have worked with the hospital to implement the National Standards of Healthcare Cleanliness 2021 and we look forward to continuing our high-quality cleaning services at one of the countries busiest hospitals.”

Yvonne Widdows, Deputy Director of Facilities at Blackpool Teaching Hospitals, said: “The Trust is pleased to continue our partnership working with Medirest, supporting us to provide a clean, safe environment to patients, colleagues and visitors. We look forward to maintaining a strong focus on service delivery and innovation for our hospital site, supporting patient care and the wider community.”

Sarah Senior, Acting Managing Director at Atlas also commented: “Atlas is happy to be continuing the successful partnership with Medirest, as they continue supporting us in maintaining a clean, safe environment across the Blackpool Victoria Hospital Estate.

We are pleased with their investment and innovative approach to cleaning services, such as the introduction of new cleaning technology, which will bring improvements, faster turnaround times and help the flow of patients through the hospital.”

Medirest received the “Innovation” and “Sustainability” Awards at this year’s Association of Healthcare Cleaning Professional Awards. The team also won the “Staff Engagement & Improving Staff Experience & Medical Education for Healthcare Professionals” title at the recent Patient Experience Network National Awards (PENNA), for its Positive Impressions programme.